

**MONTGOMERY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**  
**WORK SESSION**  
**THURSDAY, MARCH 4, 2021**

The Montgomery County Board of Commissioners held a work session on Thursday, March 4, 2021 at 5:30 PM. The purpose of the work session was to discuss the improvements to buildings and grounds, Recreation Department operations, Road Department equipment, road projects and solid waste services and operations. Members present were Leland Adams, Chad Kenney, Ginger Morris, Clarence Thomas, and Tim Williamson.

The bid opening for a new motor grader was held on February 16, 2021. The Board reviewed the following quotes and financing options for a new motor grader:

<b>CAT 140 Motor Grader w/ Steering Wheel &amp; Sidearm ditcher</b>	<b>CAT FINANCIAL</b>		<b>BANCORPSOUTH</b>		<b>BB&amp;T</b>
	<b>60 months w/ Balloon</b>		<b>60 months w/ Balloon</b>		<b>GOV. FINANCE 59 months w/ Balloon</b>
Purchase/Financed Amount	312,835.00		312,835.00		312,835.00
Lease Term	60 months		60 months		59 months
Interest Rate	2.75%		2.29%		2.07%
Monthly Payments	\$ 3,749.27		\$ 3,267.20		\$ 3,268.06
Balloon/Final Payment	\$ 143,535.00		\$ 143,500.00		\$ 143,782.60
Total of Payments	368,491.20		339,532.00		336,598.14
Financed Amount	(312,835.00)		(312,835.00)		(312,835.00)
<b>Interest/Financing Expense</b>	<b>\$ 55,656.20</b>		<b>\$ 26,697.00</b>		<b>\$ 23,763.14</b>

  

<b>CAT 140 Motor Grader w/ Joysticks Wheel &amp; Sidearm ditcher</b>	<b>CAT FINANCIAL</b>		<b>BANCORPSOUTH</b>		<b>BB&amp;T</b>
	<b>60 months w/ Balloon</b>		<b>60 months w/ Balloon</b>		<b>GOV. FINANCE 59 months w/ Balloon</b>
Purchase/Financed Amount	318,367.00		318,367.00		318,367.00
Lease Term	60 months		60 months		59 months
Interest Rate	2.75%		2.29%		2.07%
Monthly Payments	\$ 3,851.65		\$ 3,364.86		\$ 3,366.75
Balloon/Final Payment	\$ 143,535.00		\$ 143,535.00		\$ 143,782.60
Total of Payments	374,634.00		345,426.60		342,420.85
Financed Amount	(318,367.00)		(318,367.00)		(318,367.00)
<b>Interest/Financing Expense</b>	<b>\$ 56,267.00</b>		<b>\$ 27,059.60</b>		<b>\$ 24,053.85</b>

  

<b>JD 672GP Motor Grader w/ Steering Wheel &amp; Sidearm ditcher</b>	<b>JD FINANCIAL</b>		<b>BANCORPSOUTH</b>		<b>BB&amp;T</b>
	<b>60 months w/ Balloon</b>		<b>60 months w/ Balloon</b>		<b>GOV. FINANCE 59 months w/ Balloon</b>
Purchase/Financed Amount	336,978.92		336,978.92		336,978.92
Lease Term	60 months		60 months		59 months
Interest Rate	0.00%		2.29%		2.07%
Monthly Payments	\$ 3,677.60		\$ 4,126.21		\$ 4,142.56
Balloon/Final Payment	\$ 116,000.00		\$ 116,000.00		\$ 116,000.00
Total of Payments	336,656.00		363,572.60		360,411.04
Financed Amount	(336,978.92)		(336,978.92)		(336,978.92)
<b>Interest/Financing Expense</b>	<b>\$ (322.92)</b>		<b>\$ 26,593.68</b>		<b>\$ 23,432.12</b>

The Board reviewed and discussed repairs to the Courthouse with Dean Joyce from the Georgia Department of Corrections. The discussion included replacing the walkways, flagpole stands and walkways, cleaning and painting to exterior walls, windows, and column; raising and adding a stoop to the front porch; repairing the portico; repairing and painting interior walls on the first and second floors; and fixing the leak in the roof.

The Board discussed the possibility of establishing a recreation committee instead of having a recreation board.

Road Superintendent Milton Fountain reported all the fence repair was complete at the recreation facility. Mr. Fountain reported the pavilion is being repaired and some picnic tables will be added. He also reported the steps and window at the gym have been repaired.

The Board discussed requesting bids for lawn care services for the 10 county buildings in the City of Mt Vernon.

Mr. Fountain reported the repairing of the solid waste centers buildings has begun. Baskets have been placed at the centers for cans with signs stating the proceeds from the sale of the cans will go to the Montgomery County 4-H.

The Board reviewed items for the consent agenda for March.

The Board reviewed applications from the 4<sup>th</sup> District Seat on the Development Authority. Applications were received from Mark Burns, Jimmy Sharpe, and Jan Warnock-Moore.

The Board scheduled a work session for Thursday, March 11, 2021 at 5:50 PM.

The work session ended at 8:07 PM.

MONTGOMERY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
REGULAR MEETING  
MARCH 8, 2021

The Montgomery County Board of Commissioners held their regular meeting on Monday, March 8, 2021 at 5:30 pm. Members present were Leland Adams, Chad Kenney, Ginger Morris, Clarence Thomas, and Tim Williamson.

The invocation was led by Commissioner Thomas, followed by the pledge to the flag.

The agenda was approved on a motion by Commissioner Morris seconded by Commissioner Kenney. Motion carried unanimously.

The minutes from the February 4, 2021 work session were approved on a motion by Commissioner Morris, seconded by Commissioner Thomas. Motion carried unanimously. The minutes from the February 8, 2021 regular meeting were approved on motion by Commissioner Williamson, seconded by Commissioner Kenney. Motion carried unanimously.

Appearing before the Board was Debbie Evans of the Toombs-Montgomery Chamber of Commerce. Mrs. Evans gave the Board their tickets to the Chamber's Annual Meeting on March 18<sup>th</sup>.

Under Reports, Joe Filippone reported there has been 4 ribbon cuttings this year in Montgomery County and the Ace Hardware Store will have a ribbon cutting in April.

Commissioner Williamson reported there are about 125 kids signed up for baseball this season.

Drew James from the Toombs-Montgomery EMS reported there were 95 call in Montgomery County in February and the ambulance should be in by the end of March. Mr. James asked that we remember Donnie Daniels at this time. Mr. Daniels' father passed away Saturday.

Road Superintendent Milton Fountain reported the track hoe swing gear broke, and it will cost around \$20 - \$25 thousand dollars to repair. Mr. Fountain reported three of the recycling center buildings have been painted and most of the work on the T-ball field is completed.

The Board reviewed the financial reports.

On a motion by Commissioner Kenney, seconded by Commissioner Morris the Board approved the following Consent Agenda:

- Approval of engineering contract with GMC for the CDBG application for drainage and paving of Bowtie Circle & Hardeman Road.
- Accept Recreation Director Steve McLeod's resignation.
- Approve Steve McLeod as Interim Recreation Director.
- Authorize County Manager to proceed with advertising to seek candidates for Recreation Director.
- Approve time extension request from Sikes Brothers, Inc. to complete drainage and paving of Ashely Alley and Largo Drive.
- Approve Behavioral Health Contract with the Community Service Board of Middle Georgia.

The motion to approve was unanimous.

Under New Business, after reviewing applications from Mark Burns, Jimmy Shape and Jan Warnock-Moore, Commissioner Morris made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Thomas to adopt a resolution (Res. No. 21-03-01) appointing Jan Warnock-Moore to the Development Authority Board for District 4. Motion carried unanimously.

The Board was presented with the following quotes with financing options to purchase a motor grader:

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On a motion by Commissioner Thomas, seconded by Commissioner Williamson the Board agreed to the lease-purchase of a CAT motor grader from Yancey in the amount of \$312,835 with BB&T's financing offer reflected in Resolution No. 21-03-02. The motion carried unanimously.

Under Comments, The Board scheduled a work session for Thursday, March 11 at 5:30 pm. County Manager Braddy reminded the Board about the public hearing on the road abandonments on March 11 at 9:00 am. There will be a pre-bid meeting on March 18<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am at the Courthouse. The Annual Chamber Meeting will be Thursday, March 18 at Hawks Point. There will be a bid opening for the Courthouse Repair Project at 10:00 am, Friday March 26 at the Commissioner's Office.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:04 pm on a motion by Commissioner Williamson, seconded by Commissioner Kenney. Motion carried unanimously.

MONTGOMERY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
PUBLIC HEARING  
MARCH 10, 2021

The Montgomery County Board of Commissioners held a public hearing on Wednesday, March 10, 2021 at 9:00 AM. The purpose of the hearing was on the proposal of abandoning seventeen road in the unincorporated areas of Montgomery County. Members present were Leland Adams, County Manager Brandon Braddy, County Attorney Paul Cook and County Clerk Renee Cason.

Attorney Cook told the citizens the Board would hear the concerns they had on the roads that were proposed to be abandoned. These citizens either owned property or lived on the roads that were discussed.

The following roads were discussed:

McArthur Circle - Only a portion of this road was proposed to be abandoned. J.J. Strickland spoke for Sharon Strickland and requested the road be abandoned and proposed installing a gate to close off the proposed closed portion. John O'Conner requested the road be kept open. Steve and Velma Sanders requested the road be kept open. Mr. Sanders had a letter from Susan Moses Shropshire who also requested the road be kept open.

Jess Lane - Sylvester White had no objection to the abandonment of Jess Lane. Mr. White grades the portion of Jess Lane he travels on.

Old Sarge Lane - Only a portion of Old Sarge Lane was proposed to be abandoned. Mr. Cadle McEachin, and Cary and Becky Galbreath had no objection to the abandonment of the proposed portion of Old Sarge Lane.

Ben Lane - Kimbell Warnock had no objection to the abandonment of Ben Lane.

Smith Road - Steve Smith and Larry Smith had no objection to the abandonment of Smith Lane. This road was previously abandoned in 2009 but was not reported to DOT.

Mobley's Swamp Road - Vance Knight had no objection to the abandonment of Mobley's Swamp Road.

Johnson's Fish Camp Road - Vickie and Glenn Mixon had no objection to the abandonment of Johnson's Fish Camp Road providing the County maintains Calhoun Road so they can access their property. They installed a gate on Calhoun Road but have agreed to remove the gate.

The hearing ended at 9:46 AM

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WORK SESSION  
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The Montgomery County Board of Commissioners held a work session on Thursday, March 11, 2021 at 5:30 PM. The purpose of the work session was to discuss the solid waste bid openings form March 5, 2021, review proposed road abandonments, review the 2020 budget, discuss health insurance benefit renewal, road department equipment and rural fire supplemental funding request. Members present were Leland Adams, Chad Kenney, Ginger Morris, Clarence Thomas, and Tim Williamson.

The Board reviewed the following bids from the 10:00 am March 5, 2021 bid opening for solid waste services:

<u>Contractor/Bidder</u>	<u>Bib per Transport</u>
AllGreen	\$ 109.00
Republic	\$ 119.50
Ryland Environmental	\$ 148.00

The Board discussed the proposed roads to be abandoned.

County Manager Brandon Braddy informed the Board that the County's employee Blue Cross Blue Shield health insurance would not increase for another year providing the renewal date is changed to April 1<sup>st</sup>.

The Board agreed to get quotes on a new track hoe, a used track hoe and the repairing of track hoe the county currently has.

The Board discussed the dump truck repairs which will take around \$15,000.00. County Manager Braddy will check on applying for a USDA loan for a new dump truck.

The Board discussed a request from the Cities fire departments for more funding and the possibility of using some of the upcoming COVID relief funds to for the request.

The Board discussed the 2020 ending Budget.

After having a walk through with about 15 contractors at the courthouse to discuss the needed repairs, it was determined the specs will have to be changed. All the contractors agreed the brick needs to be sealed and it may not be the portico but the column that need repair. County Manager Braddy will send out a revised bid request notice which will be held on April 13<sup>th</sup>.

The Board scheduled a special called meeting for March 15, 2021 at 5:30 pm.

The work session ended at 7:50 pm.

MONTGOMERY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
SPECIAL CALLED MEETING  
MARCH 15, 2021

The Montgomery County Board of Commissioners held a special called meeting on Monday, March 15, 2021 at 5:30 pm. Members present were Leland Adams, Chad Kenney, Ginger Morris, Clarence Thomas, and Tim Williamson. The purpose of the meeting was to renew the County's health insurance benefit plan and award the bid for the County's solid waste collection and disposal services.

Chairman Adams called the meeting to order.

On a motion by Commissioner Williamson, seconded by Commissioner Thomas the Board agreed to renew the County employee health insurance with Blue Cross Blue Shield at the current rate of \$661.37 per employee per month with the renewal date being changed to April 1<sup>st</sup>. Motion carried unanimously.

After reviewing bids in the March 11, 2021 work session, the Board agreed to accept the bid from Republic Services for \$119.50 per load, with an estimated cost of \$87,832.50 annually on a motion by Commissioner Thomas, seconded by Commissioner Morris. Motion carried unanimously.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:35 pm on a motion by Commissioner Thomas, seconded by Commissioner Williamson. Motion carried unanimously.

**MONTGOMERY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
SPECIAL CALLED MEETING  
MARCH 25, 2021**

The Montgomery County Board of Commissioners held a special called meeting on Thursday, March 25, 2021 at 5:30 pm. The purpose of the meeting was to purchase road department equipment and discuss solid waste center's hours of operation. Members present were Leland Adams, Chad Kenney, Clarence Thomas, and Tim Williamson.

Chairman Adams called the meeting to order.

After discussing the hours of operation at the recycling centers the Board agreed not to change the hours at this time.

After a bid opening held on March 24, 2021 the Board reviewed the following bids on an excavator:

	Dealer / Manufacturer	Base Bid	Additional Discounts	Warranty	Less: Trade-in Old Excavator	Net Bid	New / Used
Caterpillar	Yancey / New 2021 Caterpillar 313GC Georgia State Contract	131,930.00	-	(No T, T & M) 3,378.00	(12,000.00)	<b>123,308.00</b>	NEW
	Yancey / New 2021 Caterpillar 313GC Sourcewell Contract	145,817.00	(14,300.00)	(No T, T & M) 3,378.00	(12,000.00)	<b>122,895.00</b>	NEW
	Yancey / Used 2015 Caterpillar 312E 3,213 Hours	72,500.00	-	Included (No T,T & M)	(12,000.00)	<b>60,500.00</b>	USED
John Deere	Flint / New 2021 John Deere 130G FT4	129,199.00	-	2,532.00	(22,500.00)	<b>109,231.00</b>	NEW
	Flint / Used 2018 John Deere 130G FT4 1,168 Hours	119,000.00	-	(No T, T & M) Included	(22,500.00)	<b>96,500.00</b>	USED
Komatsu	TEC / Used 2016 Komatsu PC138USLC-11 3,414 Hours	92,000.00		No Warranty	(14,500.00)	<b>77,500.00</b>	USED
	TEC / Used 2020 Komatsu PC138USLC-11 308 Hours	122,800.00		4,020.00	(14,500.00)	<b>112,320.00</b>	USED
	TEC / New 2021 Komatsu PC138USLC-11	150,114.52		4,020.00	(14,500.00)	<b>139,634.52</b>	NEW

On a motion by Commissioner Thomas, seconded by Commissioner Kenney the Board agreed to purchase the John Deere 2021 130G FT4 excavator from Flint for \$109,231.00 to be paid directly with funds from SPLOST and TSPLOST. Motion carried unanimously. The board agreed not to finance the excavator.



There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:58 on a motion by Commissioner Williamson, seconded by Commissioner Thomas. Motion carried unanimously.